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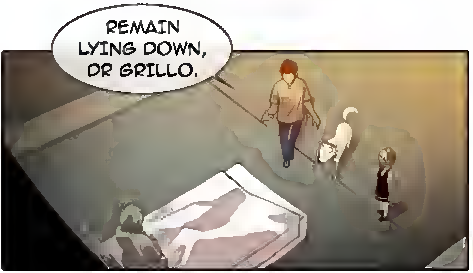
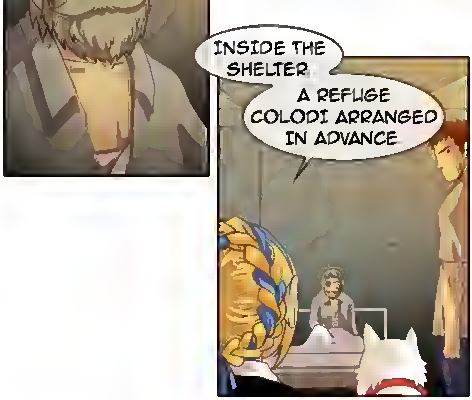
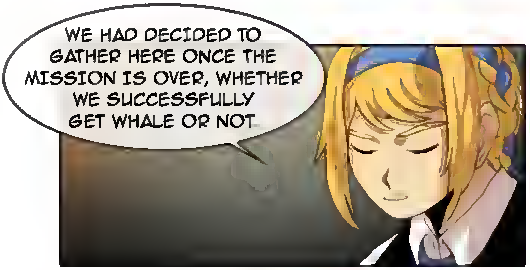
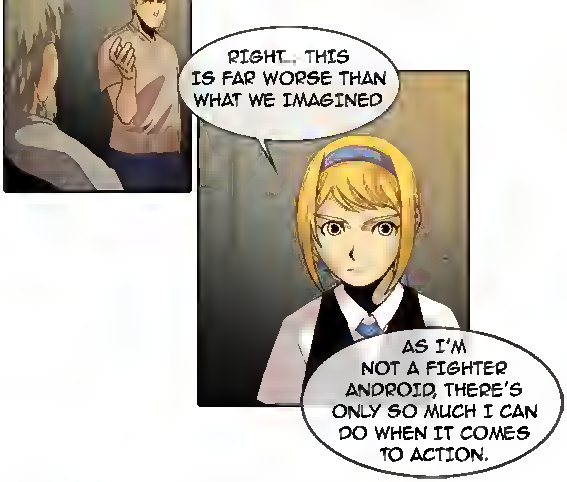

REMAIN LYING DOWN, DR GRILLO.

WHERE ARE WE?


INSIDE THE SHELTER
A REFUGE COLODI ARRANGED IN ADVANCE


WE HAD DECIDED TO GATHER HERE ONCE THE MISSION IS OVER, WHETHER WE SUCCESSFULLY GET WHALE OR NOT

THE PROBLEM IS COLODI HIMSELF HAS BEEN TAKEN, TOO


RIGHT... THIS IS FAR WORSE THAN WHAT WE IMAGINED
AS I'M NOT A FIGHTER ANDROID, THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH I CAN DO WHEN IT COMES TO ACTION.

WE ARE DISADVANTAGED WITH COLODI AND PINOCCHIO BOTH TAKEN.
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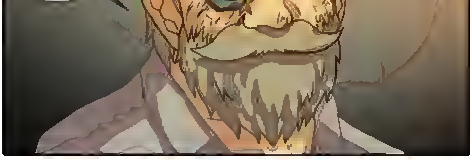
BECAUSE IF WE TRIED TO RESCUE THEM, IT'D BE A SUICIDE MISSION.

SO WHAT SHALL WE DO?



WE NEED HELP FROM THE INSIDE

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YES, SIR

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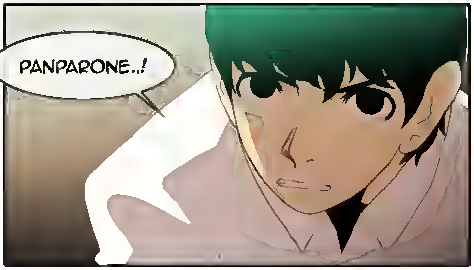
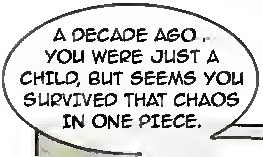
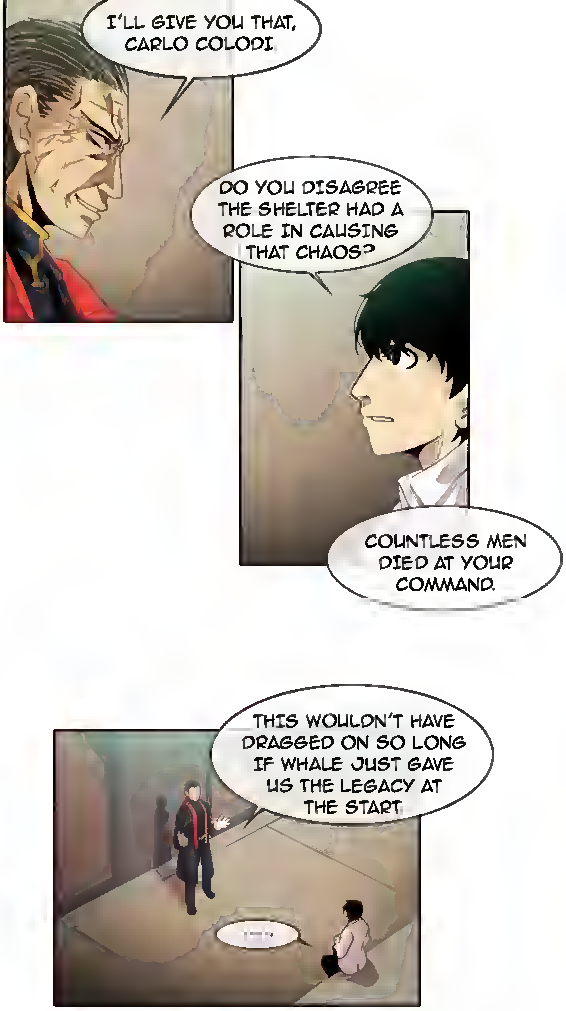
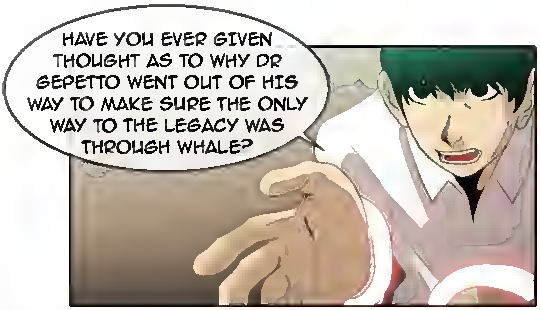
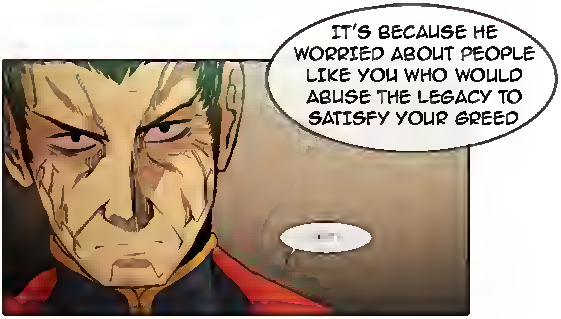

PANPARONE..!


A DECADE AGO .. YOU WERE JUST A CHILD, BUT SEEMS YOU SURVIVED THAT CHAOS IN ONE PIECE.


I'LL GIVE YOU THAT, CARLO COLODI
DO YOU DISAGREE THE SHELTER HAD A ROLE IN CAUSING THAT CHAOS?
COUNTLESS MEN DIED AT YOUR COMMAND.
THIS WOULDN'T HAVE DRAGGED ON SO LONG IF WHALE JUST GAVE US THE LEGACY AT THE START.


HAVE YOU EVER GIVEN THOUGHT AS TO WHY DR GEPETTO WENT OUT OF HIS WAY TO MAKE SURE THE ONLY WAY TO THE LEGACY WAS THROUGH WHALE?


IT'S BECAUSE HE WORRIED ABOUT PEOPLE LIKE YOU WHO WOULD ABUSE THE LEGACY TO SATISFY YOUR GREED

GREED, HUH...

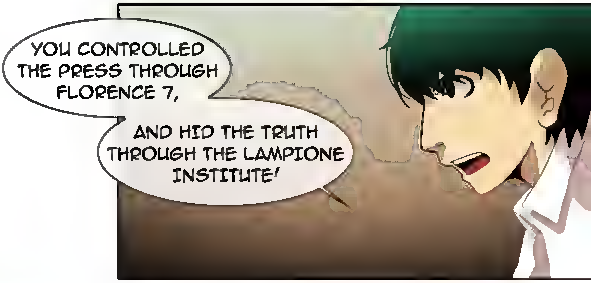
WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?

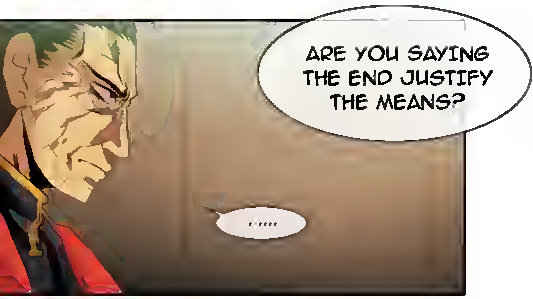
ANDROIDS ALSO WISHED TO GET THE LEGACY SO THAT THEY MAY LIVE ON LONGER AND, FURTHER, TO DESTROY MANKIND
THAT'S GREED, TOO.

AREN'T YOU LOOKING FOR THE LEGACY BECAUSE YOU BELIEVE HUMANS AND ANDROIDS CAN COEXIST?
THAT ALSO, IS GREED.

EVERYONE ACTS ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN AGENDAS.

... STOP TRYING TO JUSTIFY IT.


YOU CONTROLLED THE PRESS THROUGH FLORENCE 7,
AND HID THE TRUTH THROUGH THE LAMPIONE INSTITUTE!


ARE YOU SAYING THE END JUSTIFY THE MEANS?
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YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF A DEFENDER OF JUSTICE, THEN,

DON'T YOU
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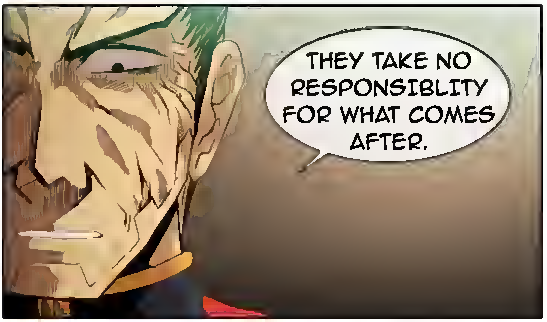
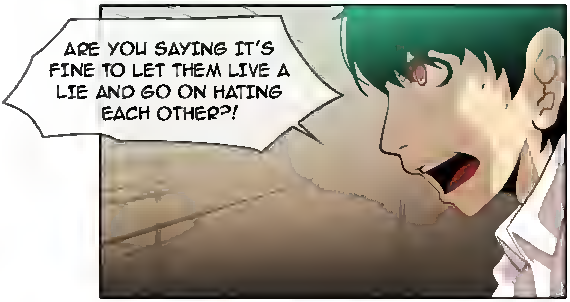
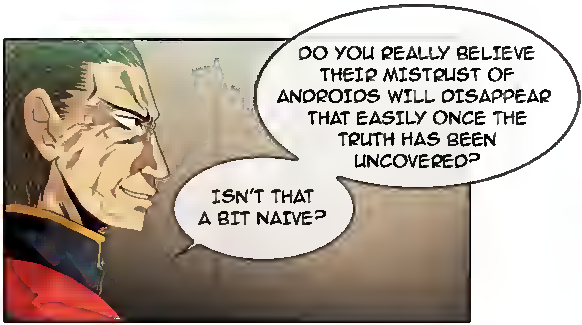
I'VE SEEN MANY LIKE YOU.
THOSE THAT BELIEVE THEY STAND FOR JUSTICE AND BELIEVE THE TRUTH IS IMPORTANT.
YOU KNOW WHAT THEY ALL HAD IN COMMON?


THEY TAKE NO RESPONSIBLITY FOR WHAT COMES AFTER.

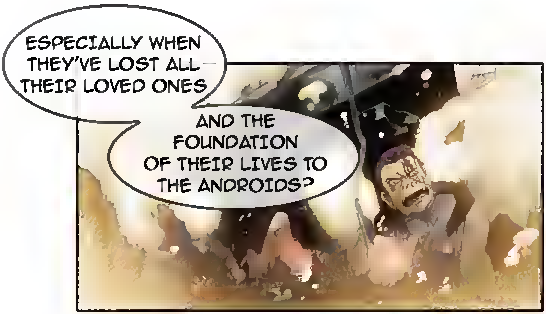
THEY GIVE NO THOUGHT REGARDING THE INFLUENCE OF THE THINGS THEY CALLED JUST AND TRUE, AND THE RESULTANT EFFECT.
YOU ARE THE ONES THAT ARE AFRAID OF WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN THE TRUTH IS REVEALED, NOT THE PEOPLE!


ARE YOU SAYING IT'S FINE TO LET THEM LIVE A LIE AND GO ON HATING EACH OTHER?!


DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE THEIR MISTRUST OF ANDROIDS WILL DISAPPEAR THAT EASILY ONCE THE TRUTH HAS BEEN UNCOVERED?
ISN'T THAT A BIT NAIVE?

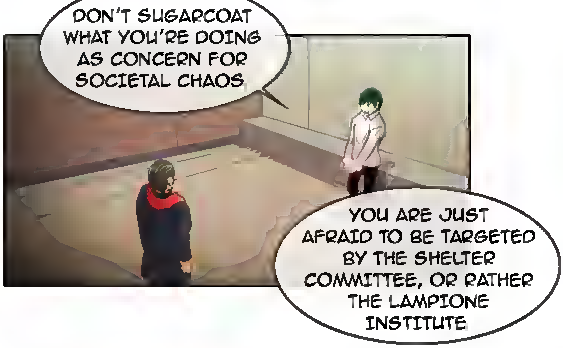
THE PEOPLE

FOUGHT AGAINST ANDROIDS FOR A HUNDRED YEARS
DO YOU REALLY THINK THEY'LL ACCEPT COEXISTENCE WITH THEM, LIKE YOU DO?

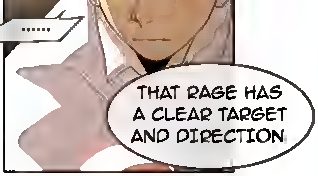

ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY'VE LOST ALL THEIR LOVED ONES
AND THE FOUNDATION OF THEIR LIVES TO THE ANDROIDS?

AND THE ANDROIDS THAT ARE NOT ON YOUR SIDE STILL DETEST MANKIND.
AND YET YOU STILL BELIEVE YOU CAN ASSUAGE THE PEOPLE?

NO.
YOU CAN'T.
MAYBE ON AN INDIVIDUAL LEVEL, YES, BUT AS A WHOLE, THEY CANNOT BE PERSUADED.
PEOPLE ARE NOT REASONABLE NOR MATURE ENOUGH TO BE CAPABLE OF THAT.
RATHER, SOCIETY WILL BE OVERTAKEN BY DIRECTIONLESS RAGE


DON'T SUGARCOAT WHAT YOU'RE DOING AS CONCERN FOR SOCIETAL CHAOS.
YOU ARE JUST AFRAID TO BE TARGETED BY THE SHELTER COMMITTEE, OR RATHER THE LAMPIONE INSTITUTE

RIGHT.
I WON'T DENY IT.
BUT WHATEVER THE REASON, I STILL DO NOT WANT TO SEE STABILITY COMPROMISED.
THAT'S WHY IT'S NECESSARY TO FIND A COMMON ENEMY IN ANDROIDS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THAT RAGE HAS A CLEAR TARGET AND DIRECTION

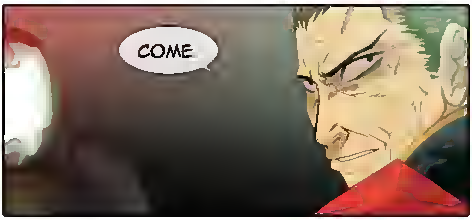
AND THAT DIRECTION
SWISH

WILL NOW LEAD TO YOU.

...WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO WITH US?

WELL. NO IMMEDIATE PLANS.
DEPENDS ON WHAT... HE WANTS.
HE?

BEEP-
OPEN THE DOOR.
SLIDE-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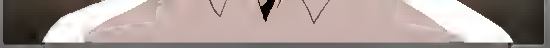
ANTONIO IS
ASKING FOR YOU.



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